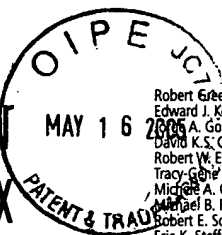




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1. Notice of Appeal From the Examiner to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences - Small Entity;
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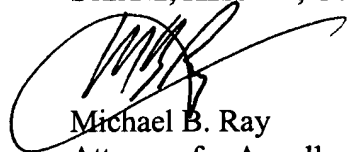
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